

House Resolution 40 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 40

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1 A Resolution to honor the service and sacrifice of
2 Keokuk County Deputy Sheriff Eric Stein.

3 WHEREAS, the recent killing of a local peace officer
4 tragically reminds us of the dangers that peace
5 officers face every day and the price that is sometimes
6 demanded of those who stand in harm's way to protect
7 us; and

8 WHEREAS, on April 4, 2011, the highest price was
9 paid by Sergeant Eric Stein, a Deputy Sheriff in Keokuk
10 County and an eleven-year veteran of the Sheriff's
11 Department, when he was slain in the line of duty while
12 protecting the public; and

13 WHEREAS, Sergeant Stein is the first peace officer
14 slain in the line of duty in Iowa since 1985; and

15 WHEREAS, Sergeant Stein was a career law enforcement
16 officer who lived to serve the community as a volunteer
17 firefighter, as an emergency medical technician, and
18 as a sheriff's deputy; and

19 WHEREAS, Sergeant Stein has now been laid to rest,
20 leaving behind a nine-year-old daughter, reminding us
21 that it is not only the officer who must pay the price
22 of law enforcement service; and

23 WHEREAS, in honor of his memory, Governor
24 Terry Branstad has ordered that flags be flown
25 half-staff; NOW THEREFORE,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
27 That the House of Representatives mourns the loss of
28 Sergeant Eric Stein, a true hero, whose service and

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1 sacrifice will not be forgotten; and
2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
3 Representatives extends the condolences of each member
4 of the House to Sergeant Stein's young daughter, his
5 extended family and friends, the men and women of
6 the Keokuk County Sheriff's Department, and to the
7 communities of Keokuk County.